



INFORMATION NOTICE

U.S. Embassy
La Paz, Bolivia

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The U.S. Embassy in La Paz has received information about the National Pedestrian and Cyclist Day in Bolivia:

The Bolivian Government has declared the first Sunday of September each year to be National Pedestrian and Cyclist Day. This will affect business operations and activities throughout the country.

From 12:01 a.m. through 6:00 p.m. Sunday, September 4, **no private vehicles or public transportation** will be allowed on the roads without prior authorization (i.e., a special permit) from the relevant Mayor's Office. (Full-scale enforcement allegedly will not begin until 09:00, but the actual text of the law specifies otherwise.)

Both domestic and international flights are expected to operate and taxis from the airport should be available, but may be more limited than usual. Officially, transportation services from the airport to La Paz will be restricted to the Airport Taxi Service and possibly to hotel shuttles. If possible, travelers should arrange plans to avoid travel to/from/within Bolivia on Sunday (September 4).

U.S. Citizens are encouraged to observe the vehicle ban and plan their activities accordingly.

You can stay in touch and get Embassy updates by checking the Embassy website, found [here](#). You can also get global updates at the U.S. Department of State's [Bureau of Consular Affairs website](#) where you can find the current Worldwide Caution, Travel Warnings, Travel Alerts, and Country Specific Information. If you don't have internet access, we have a call center for updates--1-888-407-4747 toll-free in the U.S. and Canada, or outside the U.S. and Canada on a regular toll line at 1-202-501-4444.

You can contact the American Citizen Services Unit at the U.S. Embassy in La Paz, Bolivia, via e-mail at consularlapaz@state.gov or by telephone at 591-2-216-8246 during regular business hours (Monday to Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.) or 591-715-33713 after hours and on weekends. The U.S. Embassy is located at 2780 Arce Avenue in La Paz, Bolivia, and is open to the public by appointment on Monday through Thursday from 08:00 to 12:30, and Thursdays from 14:00 to 16:00. You can schedule a non-emergency appointment by visiting this [website](#).

The Embassy operates two Consular Agencies in the cities of Santa Cruz and Cochabamba, Bolivia. These agencies can also provide assistance to U.S. citizens. The Santa Cruz Consular Agency is located on Roque Aguilera Avenue #146 (3rd ring). You can contact the Santa Cruz Consular Agency by telephone at 591-3-351-3477, during regular business hours (Monday - Friday, 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.). The Cochabamba Consular Agency is

located on Edificio Saal, Avenida Pando 1122, 1st Floor. You can contact the Cochabamba Consular Agency by telephone at 591-4-411-6313, during regular business hours (Monday, Tuesday and Thursday, 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and Wednesday, 1:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.). If you wish to visit the Consular Agencies for a non-emergency matter, please schedule an appointment through this website.